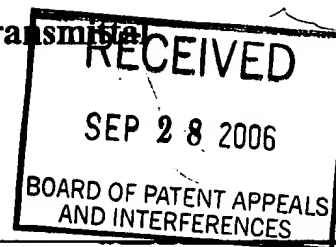


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Attached is a **Request to Withdraw an Appeal**, and to expressly abandon the above-identified application. Appellants have filed a continuation application.

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Dear Sir:

On September 9, 2004, the Examiner made a final rejection to pending Claims 58, 59, 61, 65, 81-89, 93, 95 and 96 of this application. A Notice of Appeal was filed on August 25, 2005, and Appellants' Appeal Brief was filed on December 2, 2005. An Examiner's Answer was mailed on April 27, 2006.

Appellants hereby request that the appeal be withdrawn, and that the above-identified application be expressly withdrawn as of the filing date of this paper.

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